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 Applicant : Hand, *et al.*
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Sir:

Please find enclosed for filing:

1. Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116;
2. Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

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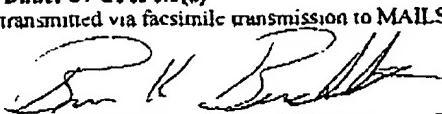
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the final office action mailed May 3, 2004 (Office Action), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this submission.

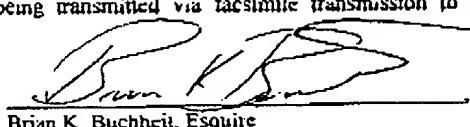
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